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Community Assessment for Barry Avenue Plating Company, Inc.

Dear Community Member:

You are invited to complete and return a **community survey** assessing interest in an environmental investigation and proposed remedial action workplan for the Barry Avenue Plating Company, Inc. facility (Site) located at 2210 Barry Avenue in the City of Los Angeles, California. The Site consists of several adjoining commercial buildings that are located in a residential/commercial/light-industrial area on the southeast corner of Olympic Boulevard and Barry Avenue.

From 1947 through the present, portions of the Site have been used for metal plating and plating-related processes. Due to historical operations, soil and groundwater at the Site have been contaminated with hexavalent chromium (Chrome VI), trichloroethene (TCE), other volatile organic compounds, and metals. Current operations now include double-walled tanks and liners to prevent liquid releases, above-ground piping, and reductions in hazardous material use to minimize the possibility of future contamination.

From March 1999 through January 2007, the soil and groundwater at the Site and the adjacent property to the east have been tested. The results of this investigation indicate elevated concentrations of Chrome VI and TCE exist in both soil and groundwater on and off the site. Barry Avenue Plating is working with the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) on developing a removal action workplan to address these issues.

DTSC's overall goal is to restore and protect the environment, in part by conducting and overseeing cleanups. Your response to the community survey will help DTSC develop public participation activities associated with this cleanup effort. **Please complete and return the attached community survey by July 27, 2007.**

If you have any questions regarding the site, please contact the project manager, Tedd Yargeau at (818) 551-2864 or by e-mail at tyargeau@dtsc.ca.gov or myself at (714) 484-5488 or by email at lhernand@dtsc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: Community Survey Questionnaire